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Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
Illinois Department of Public Health
525 West Jefferson Street, Floor 2
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing in support of the Coulterville Rehabilitation and Health Care Center's application to the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board (State Board) for the CON project 19-030, in which the Coulterville Rehabilitation and Health Care Center proposes to add 25 beds to its existing long-term care facility in Coulterville, Illinois. The State Board's data illustrates that Randolph County has a need for 35 beds and this project will meet that need.

The CON project 19-030 will allow Coulterville to eliminate its waiting list, allows seniors to choose a long-term care facility that is closer to their community, and family and friends. This project will enhance access to long-term care services in the future as more seniors seek long-term care in a region where facilities have been closing. The project will also provide economic development and create more jobs in this southern Illinois community.

I urge you to give the Coulterville Rehabilitation and Health Care Center's application the most serious consideration. Thank you for your consideration to this matter and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my Springfield office at (217) 492-4062.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Durbin
U.S. Senator

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